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FOR THE AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: BRIEFING CYPRIOTS ON SECRETARY'S ANKARA TALKS

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TH FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY KISSINGER SHOULD
BE DELIVRED ORALLY TO FOREIGN MINISTR CHRISTOPHIDES
AT THE EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY:

BEGIN TEXT

IN MY TWO DAYS IN ANKARA, I HAD A NUMBER OF
USEFUL TALKS WITH TURKISH LEADERS. IT WAS MY IMPRESSION
FROM THESE DISCUSSIONS THAT PROGRESS ON CYPRUS IS
POSSIBLE. THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT APPEARS TO
ACCEPT THE NEED FOR MOVING TOWARD A SETTLEMENT, BOTH
THROUGH INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS, UNDER THE AUSPICES
OF SECRETARY GENERAL WALDHEIM, AND THROUGH A BETTER
UNDERSTANDING WITH GREECE.

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WHILE IN ANKARA, I DID MY BEST TO EXPLAIN TO

TURKISH LEADERS WHY IT WAS IN THEIR OWN INTEREST TO MOVE NOW TOWARD A CYPRUS SETTLEMENT, AND TO SHOW THE FLEXIBILITY WHICH WILL MAKE MOVEMENT IN THIS DIRECTION POSSIBLE. I STRESSED IN PARTICULAR THE NEED FOR TURKISH FLEXIBILITY ON BOTH TERRITORY AND REFUGEES.

THE ARMS EMBARGO WAS ALSO DISCUSSED AT LENGTH. IT WAS AGAIN APPARENT THAT THE EMBARGO HAS REDUCED OUR ABILITY TO BE HELPFUL AND WORKS AGAINST PROGRESS TOWARD THE KIND OF SETTLEMENT THE GOVERNMENT OF CYPRUS DESIRES.

AS YOU KNOW, THE PRESIDENT AND I WILL BE CONTINUING OUR DISCUSSIONS WITH TURKISH AND GREEK LEADERS IN BRUSSELS LATER THIS WEEK. WE REMAIN CONVINCED THAT SERIOUS, SUBSTANTIVE NEGOTIATIONS IN THE CYPRUS ISSUES ARE POSSIBLE IN THE WEEKS AHEAD, AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO DO EVERYTHING WITHIN OUR POWER TO ADVANCE THE PROSPECTS FOR MOVEMENT IN THIS DIRECTION.

END TEXT KISSINGER

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